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October 20, 2000

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Sincerely,

Laura Tom Bose, Chief

Ground Water Office, WTR-9

cc: Marc Pryor, Ca. Energy Commission

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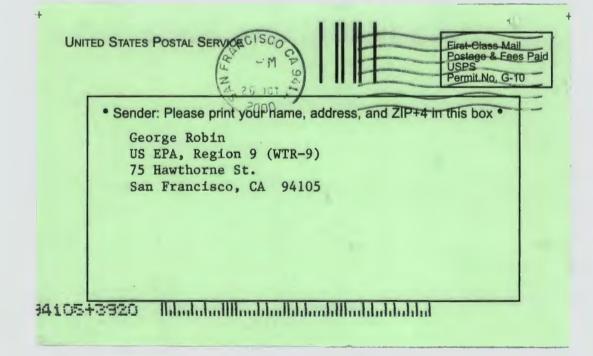
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